



Response Under 37 CFR 1.116, Expedited Procedure

Examining Group 1600

Application No. 09/242,772

Paper dated June 25, 2004

In reply to USPTO correspondence of February 25, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 3374-990278

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/242,772

Applicant : WILLEM JAN MARIE VAN DE VEN et al.

Filed : June 25, 1999

Title : PLAG GENE FAMILY AND
TUMORIGENESIS

Group Art Unit : 1637

Examiner : Alexander H. Spiegler

Confirmation No. : 1485

Customer No. : 28289

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding final Office Action was mailed on February 25, 2004. The period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on May 25, 2004. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on June 25, 2004.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 25, 2004.

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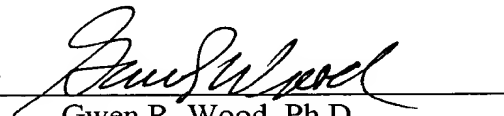
A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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